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Overview

ECFMG is a world leader in promoting quality health care—serving physicians, members of the medical education and regulatory communities, health care consumer issues in medical education and health workforce planning.

International medical graduates (IMGs) comprise nearly one-quarter of the U.S. physician workforce. Certification by ECFMG is the standard for evaluating the qualifications of physicians before they enter U.S. graduate medical education (GME), where they provide supervised patient care. ECFMG Certification also is a requirement for the three-step [United States Medical Licensing Examination](#)® (USMLE®) and to obtain an unrestricted license to practice medicine in the United States.

ECFMG provides other programs for IMGs pursuing U.S. GME, including those that assist them with the process of [applying for U.S. GME](#) positions; and that sponsor [J-1 visa](#) for the purpose of participating in such programs. We offer a [verification service](#) that allows GME programs, state medical boards, hospitals, and credentialing States to obtain primary-source confirmation that their IMG applicants are certified by ECFMG. The [ECFMG Certificate Holders Office \(ECHO\)](#) offers free career guidance for physicians pursuing ECFMG Certification.

Through more than six decades of certifying IMGs, ECFMG has developed unparalleled expertise on the world's medical schools, the credentials they issue to the graduates, and the verification of those credentials. ECFMG expanded this expertise nearly 20 years ago to include primary-source verification of credentials related to postgraduate registration/licensure. Currently, ECFMG's [Electronic Portfolio of International Credentials \(EPICSM\)](#) service offers this expertise to individual physicians and the medical education community, to educate, and employ them.

ECFMG's programs for the medical education community offer valuable services to international medical schools and their graduates, and promote quality in medical education. Through its [GEMx](#) program, ECFMG is building a global partnership, and supporting regional partnerships, for international educational exchange in medicine and research. GEMx facilitates the elective exchange process for participating institutions and students alike, and provides students with increased access to exchange opportunities. Through the [Medical School Web Portal \(EMSWP\)](#), ECFMG provides access to several web-based services for international medical schools, including electronic Credentials and Performance Data.

ECFMG's commitment to promoting excellence in international medical education led to the establishment of its nonprofit foundation, the [Foundation for Advanced Medical Education and Research \(FAIMER®\)](#). FAIMER has assumed responsibility for, and expanded upon, ECFMG's programs for international medical education and research. Through FAIMER, ECFMG offers training in leadership and health professions education; creates and maintains data resources on medical education workforce issues; and conducts research on international medical education programs, physician migration, and U.S. physician workforce issues.

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